



# Steps to Close Abandoned Wells

**Step 1:** Measure the Diameter, Depth, and Water Level

**Step 2:** Remove all the obstructing materials (pump, rods, pipes, wood staves) from the well

**Step 3:** If there is standing water, pump out the water before adding Bleach

**Step 4:** Remove the upper 1-3 feet of the well casing

**Step 5:** Fill the well with three fourths depth with clean sand

**Step 6:** Fill the remaining one fourths depth with Bentonite

**Step 7:** Mound the final 1-3 feet with topsoil to keep the surface water away